

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD**  
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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM AND TO AMEND THE FY 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) TO INCLUDE TIP ACTION 21-37 ADDING THESE PROJECTS**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), which is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

**WHEREAS**, FAST authorizes the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility program to provide capital and operating grants to eligible subrecipients to "improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities...by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available"; and

**WHEREAS**, under FAST, projects funded by the Enhanced Mobility program must respond to strategies in a "locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan"; and

**WHEREAS**, in June 2013, the Governor of Maryland, the Governor of Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia designated the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), as the administrative agent for the TPB, the recipient of the Enhanced Mobility program for the Washington, DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB adopted an Update to the Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan at its regular meeting on December 19, 2018 (TPB Resolution R9-2019), which includes the comments and input of the TPB's Access for All Advisory Committee received on June 7, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coordinated Plan includes the priority projects and selection criteria to be used in the solicitation and selection of Enhanced Mobility grants; and

**WHEREAS**, a solicitation for Enhanced Mobility grant applications was conducted from July 1 through September 1, 2021, during which more than 3,000 individuals received an announcement of the grant opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 70 individuals attended one of seven pre-application conferences conducted during the solicitation period for interested organizations and agencies to receive technical assistance on the application process and FTA requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, a selection committee comprised of local and national experts in transportation and human services met on September 29, 2021 to review the applications and evaluate them against the selection criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, the selection committee recommended funding 21 projects described in the attached memorandum; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB Officers concurred with the selection committee recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 18, 2020 the TPB adopted the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

**WHEREAS**, a proposed amendment to the FY 2021-2024 TIP to include TIP Action 21-37, adding descriptions and funding information for these projects to the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program (TIP ID 6366f) is attached; and

**WHEREAS**, full funding for this program and all its projects is included in the Visualize 2045 long-range plan financial analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, this program and its projects are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement for the plan and TIP, as defined in Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Transportation Conformity Regulations as of April 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, there is \$3,408,092 from FY 2020, \$3,493,450 from FY 2021, (less allowable Program Administration) and \$434,693 of reallocated and carryover FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program funds allocated to COG for supporting projects in the Washington, DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area program for a total of \$6.6 million in federal funding to be awarded; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD** approves 21 projects for funding described in the attached memorandum and TIP amendment and amends the FY 2021-2024 TIP to include TIP Action 21-37, adding these projects to the Sub-Recipient Projects table included in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on November 17, 2021**